

Appl. No. 10/707,936
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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

1. Rejection of claim 10 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a):

Claim 10 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Watanabe et al (US 4,544,931) in view of Heim (US 6,452,618).

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Response:

Claim 10 has been amended to contain the limitations previously found in claim 11. Claim 11 had been indicated as being allowable if rewritten in independent form.

10 No new matter has been added through the amendment to claim 10. In addition, claims 12 and 14 have been amended to depend on the amended claim 10.

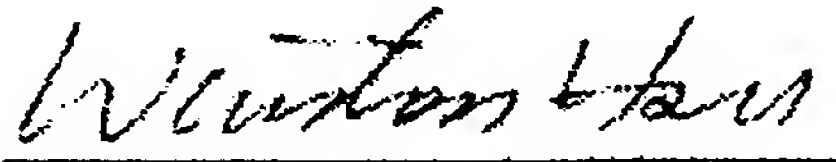
Reconsideration of claim 10 is respectfully requested.

Applicant respectfully requests that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case.

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